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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed May 17, 2006, setting a three-month period for response, and is further to the May 24, 2006 personal interview among Examiner Badio, Thomas Kowalski, David Alcock, John Normanton and Michael Reed, for which the Examiner is thanked for the many courtesies extended therein. As this paper is being filed prior to the due date, it is believed that no fees are due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fee, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.